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A RESOLUTION

Councilmembers Jim Maddox, Julia Emmons, Michael Julian Bond, Cleta Winslow, "Able" Mable Thomas, Sherry Dorsey, Cathy Woolard and Debi Starnes

A Resolution (**as substituted by Finance/Executive Committee**) establishing a Revenue Enhancement Task Force; to provide its membership; and for other purposes

WHEREAS, the cost for the delivery of services has greatly increased in the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the City is constantly having to upgrade salaries and benefit in order to attract and maintain a qualified and competent workforce; and

WHEREAS, property taxes have remained constant over the last eight years; and

WHEREAS; as "the Hub of the Southeast" it is imperative that other sources of revenue are found in order for the City to maintain its standing in the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, many of the citizens of the City are overburdened by ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, additional and more creative ways to fund the City's operations are needed

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

Section 1: There is hereby created a Revenue Enhancement Task Force. Said Task Force shall be composed of eight (8) persons and shall be populated in the following manner:

The Chair of the local Senate delegation; **or his/her designee**
The Chair of the local House delegation; **or his/her designee**
Two persons to be appointed by the Mayor; one of whom shall be The Chief Financial Officer;
Two persons to be appointed by the President of Council; one of whom shall be a member of the faculty of one of the local universities, with a background in public policy;

The President of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, or his designee; and
The President of the Atlanta Planning and Advisory Board or his designee.

Section 2: The Task Force shall hold its first meeting within 30 days after the adoption of this legislation. **Said meeting shall be convened by the Chief Financial Officer.**

Section 3: The responsibility of this Task Force shall be to study alternative revenue sources and make recommendations to the City Council no later than the first Council meeting in November, 2001. This Task Force shall not require Council confirmation.